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Subject: Press Inquiry: Gazette article on El Paso/Teller mine impacts

Hello Rich,

My name is Ryan Maye Handy and I am a reporter with The Gazette newspaper in Colorado Springs.

In light of the Animas River pollution, I am working on a story about potential impacts of active or inactive mines in El Paso and Teller Counties.

A couple things I'm looking for:

--I've found some EPA TRI data on local mines/facilities that I need help translating. I am not sure what I am looking at, and need help understanding what the data represents.

--I found the EPA list of Colorado clean-up sites, and noted that nothing in this region is on the list. I'd like to know if the EPA has any projects that it is managing in relation to inactive mines in the Pikes Peak Region, or knows of any concerns with abandoned mines and toxic releases.

--Also I would like to get general information about toxic releases--why they are important to track, how Colorado compares to the rest of the West, not just Region 8. Basically putting the phrase "toxic release" into perspective.

Let me know if you can put me in touch with someone who can work with me on these.

The data I am referring to comes from this website:

http://www.rtknet.org/db/tri/tri.php?search_name=ANGLOGOLD+ASHANTI+colorado

Feel free to shoot me an email or give me a call at the number below.

Best,

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